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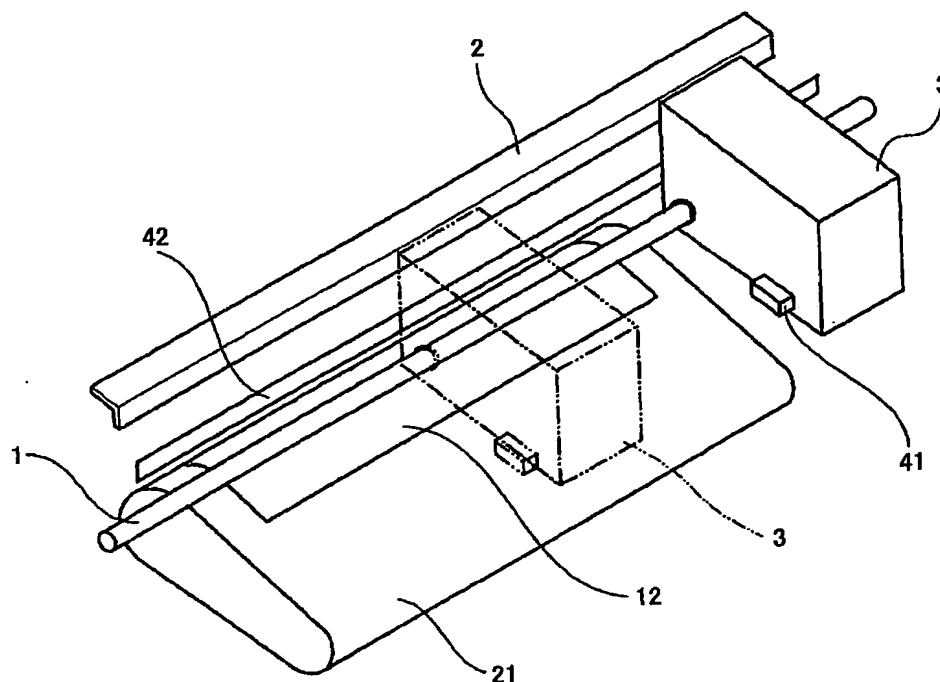
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(57) Abstract: An image forming apparatus can detect a leading edge and a width of a recording medium with a simple structure so as to prevent erroneous recording. A carriage has a recording head to form the image by scanning the recording medium. A detector is provided in the carriage so as to detect a leading edge of the recording medium.

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